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TITLE OF INVENTION: CONTAINER FOR LONG-TERM STORAGE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

MANUFACTURING THE CONTAINER

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| 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-7, 9-13, and 23-28</u> . | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Claims 15, 19, 21, and 29 have been cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-7, 9-13, and 23-28 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 1, 3, 9, and 23, the prior art of record, either singularly or in combination, does not disclose or suggest the combination of limitations including, a primary mould having a mould cavity for an inner container, and a secondary mould having a mould cavity for an outer part where the secondary mould having a member for supporting the inner container part fitted within when casting the outer container part.

The dependent claims 2, 4-7, 10-13, and 24-28 are allowed due to the dependency on their respective allowed independent claims.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hanway Chang whose telephone number is (571)270-

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